

BULGARIA JOINS AXIS AND GERMANS POUR INTO SOFIA

French Envoy Fails to Show Up for Indio-China Conference

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

ALEX. H. WASHBURN

The Atlanta Air-Liner Crash
Department of Commerce or CAA?

The fatal crash of an Eastern Air Lines sleeper-plane at Atlanta, Ga., Thursday, punctuates a political fight that has been raging in Washington ever since the federal government revoked the independent Civil Aeronautics Authority and returned control of flying to the Department of Commerce, a political body.

Greece Shaken by Earthquake Early Saturday

Reports Say
15,000 Persons
Homeless in
Town of Larisa

ATHENS — (AP)—Northern Greece was shaken by a destructive earthquake, Saturday and early reports indicated casualties would prove heavy.

Buildings collapsed in Larisa, a town with about 30,000 inhabitants. The panicked population fled their homes, many in night-clothes, when the shocks were felt.

Larisa authorities telegraphed reports for 15,000 homeless persons. Troops were engaged in removing victims trapped by debris.

The epicenter of the quake was believed to be at the town of Lel Assona, where there was extensive damage.

Buildings destroyed at Larisa included a hotel. Many more buildings were rendered uninhabitable.

Jenkins Knocks Out Ambers

Fight Is Halted
by Referee in
7th Round

NEW YORK — (AP)—Low Jenkins ended gallant Lou Ambers' comeback hopes in the seventh round as a roaring crowd roared for the laughing boy in Madison Square Garden Friday night.

Jenkins weighed 134, Ambers 140½. For six rounds, it was Ambers' fight. He lugged off every one of the famed "Sunday punches" Jenkins threw. He made the "experts" who picked him to be put to sleep in a hurry, look foolish and he chopped away at the Texas thin man round after round.

Then in the seventh, Ambers was caught by a slashing left hook that sent him staggering backward into the ropes. Back he came, trying to hold on and clear his head. But it was no go. A sweeping left half pushed and half knocked him to his knees for a count of two.

Up he came, trying again. This time a barrage smashed him to the floor. Up he staggered at the count of eight, only to be met by some more of the same. He sank to his knees again, and Referee Arthur Donovan called a halt to the affair at 2:26 of the seventh round.

No Trace of a Hangover

RICHMOND, Va. — (AP)—A one-time federal prisoner out on parole called by long distance telephone to tell Carroll Minor, chief probation officer, that he was drunk and wanted to get back in the penitentiary. Advised by the officer that a warrant couldn't be obtained until the next day, the probationer pleaded he might sober up and change his mind. He did.

First clock to divide the day was a stone shaft. Its shadow moved slowly along opposite the sun.

Jap Premier Kept Waiting for 6 Hours

Lack of Instructions
From Vichy
Paralyzes Thailand
'Deal'

TOKYO — (AP)—A hitch in last-minute negotiations of a Japanese-initiated peace agreement between French Indo-China and Thailand was authoritatively declared to have developed Saturday night.

The Japanese foreign minister, Matsuo, waited at his private residence from 4 p. m. until 10 p. m. for French ambassador Charles Henry to keep a scheduled appointment. It was said, but the meeting did not take place.

It was believed in authoritative quarters that the absence of instructions from French government at Vichy caused the ambassador's delay. Previously authoritative quarters had suggested that a peace agreement was nearing completion and that a final settlement might be announced Saturday night or early Sunday.

A Japanese ultimatum expired at noon Friday.

Important conferences attended by representatives of the country and Jap mediators were said to be under way continuously with territorial experts of all three taking a leading part in discussions which were described as being in the final stages. The sudden report of a break in the hitherto deadlocked peace negotiations came close on the heels of the Japanese ultimatum calling upon Vichy to yield large slices of Indo-China territory or suffer "forceful action."

County Tourney Gets Underway

Girls, Junior Boys
Cagers Play at
Columbus

The senior girls basketball team of Guernsey walloped the Palmos girls 53 to 41 in the first round of the county tournament at Columbus Friday.

Edwards of Guernsey led the scoring with 31 points while Kent of Palmos was second with 23 markers. In the first round of the Junior boys tournament McCaskill whipped the Columbus juniors 43 to 16. Rowland of McCaskill led the scoring with 20 points followed by Calloun of Columbus with 9 points.

The most exciting game of the first session was the Columbus and Blevis senior girls with the score favoring Columbus 40 to 22. Stout and Griffin of Columbus were high scorers with 19 and 17 points respectively while Smith led Blevis with 13 points.

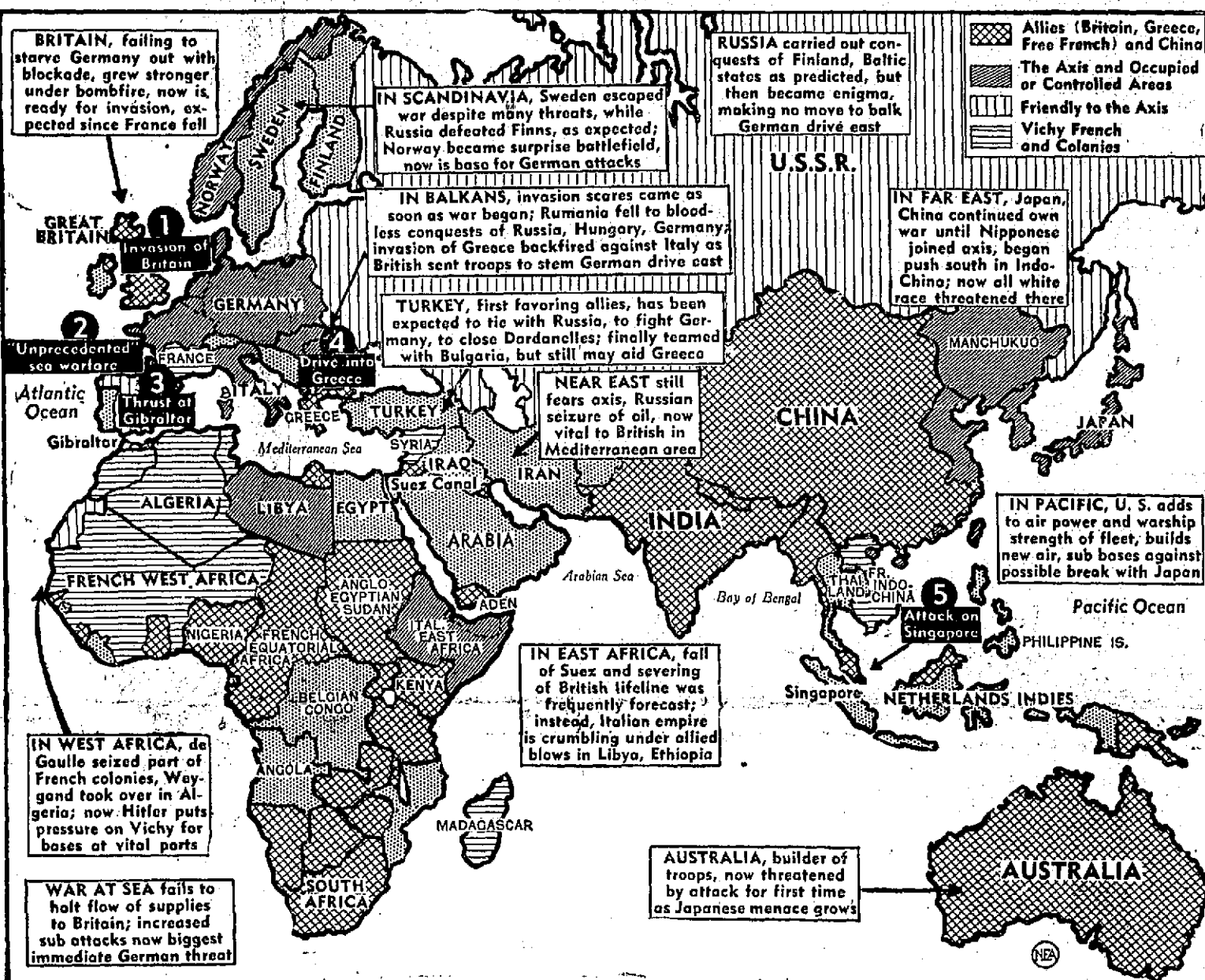
British soldiers in Africa consume more water than their Italian counterparts, having never been trained down to the level of half a liter daily, the customary allowance for seasoned desert troops.

CRANIUM CRACKERS

Foreign Rivers
If you were a Volga boatman, and floated down that river to its outflow, you would end up in the Caspian Sea. Listed below are 10 other famous foreign rivers and their destinations; can you pair the map correctly?

1. Jordan (a) Atlantic ocean
 2. Ganges (b) Adriatic Sea
 3. Dan (c) Dead Sea
 4. Rhine (d) North Sea
 5. Po (e) Mediterranean
 6. Marne (f) Bay of Bengal
 7. Nile (g) Sea of Azov
 8. Amazon (h) Black Sea
 9. Danube (i) Persian Gulf
 10. Euphrates (j) Seine River
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After 18 Months, War Finds Axis Plotting Five Blows Against Britain



For a year and a half, war prophets have been predicting the course of conflict in Europe, Africa and Asia. Most forecast was invasion of low countries, which, predicted ever since Poland fell,

came off in ninth month of war with unexpected victories for Germany. Now seen ahead are five possible axis actions against the allies, spotted on map with summary of first 18 months of war

Nazi Army in Fighting Gear Enters Capital

Bulgaria 64th
to Sign Military
Alliance With
Axis

By ROBERT ST. JOHN

SOPIA — (AP)—German troops drove into Sofia Saturday, in grey armored cars wearing regulation battle dress.

They wore steel helmets and complete regulation battle kit and reached the center of this capital late in the day.

The Germans carried rifles, gas masks and heavy packs of battle gear as they rode into the city.

Three carloads rolled through the main streets of Sofia and passed the German legation.

Swarms of German fighter planes winged over the city, circling low enough for the cross and swastika markings to be plainly seen.

A Junkers transport, presumably carrying German infantrymen flew less than 1,000 feet over the German legation, then swooped down toward the Sofia airdrome.

It was followed by other transport planes in great numbers. As soon as the first Nazi troop cars rolled into the city many German firms unfurled the swastika flag.

A By Army Police began to clear the main avenues of approach, indicating that heavy troop transport was outside the city.

The British legation staff still was in Sofia. It was announced that King Boris would receive the minister, George Rendel early Saturday evening.

Rendel and his aides hastened arrangements for their departure. Soon after the German troops reached the heart of the capital, Bulgarian official sources said Verina, strategic Bulgarian Black Sea port, was being occupied by the Nazis.

The military occupation must have begun at dawn with the crossing of the Danube. For weeks the Germans have been establishing pontoon bridges there. They were in Sofia, as it happened, before many Bulgarians had learned that their country had signed the Axis pact.

Bulgaria Joins Axis
VIENNA — (AP)—In the presence of Adolf Hitler, little Bulgaria signed Saturday for partnership in the German-Italian-Japanese military alliance.

Through the signature of her premier, Boban Phillos, Bulgaria cast her lot with her big ally of the World War. Germany, joining Rumania, Hungary and Slovakia as the smaller states which have been lined up for "the new order."

The ceremony came at 5:50 a. m. CST. Historic Belvedere palace was the setting. Besides Phillos and the German Führer the party gathered for the ceremony included German foreign Minister von Ribbentrop, Italian Foreign Minister Count Ciano, and the Japanese ambassador to Berlin, Hiroshi Goshima.

Von Ribbentrop signed for Germany, Ciano for Italy, and Goshima for Japan. Hitler took no active part in the ceremony.

When Phillos had set his hand to a protocol expanding the alliance the statesmen walked into the central hall.

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A Thought
Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen Me, thou hast believed: Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.—John 20:29

Bobcats Lose at Lewisville

Drop Only Game
to Magnolia
32 to 25

LEWISVILLE, Ark. — Texarkana (Ark.) high school advanced to the semi-finals of the district 10 basketball tournament Friday with a 30-to-28 victory over the Palmos five. In other games Ashdown conquered Emerson, 31-18. Magnolia topped Hope, 32-25, and Nashville trounced Blevis, 44-29.

The Porkers will play Ashdown Saturday, and Magnolia will play Nashville. The latter teams are the favorites. Hope was the defending champion.

Texarkana had a 21-13 lead over the Palmos boys at halftime, but that lead vanished under a barrage of shot-making led by Reeves. Three minutes before the end, Palmos was two points ahead.

George Young, lanky Razorback guard, looped a two-pointed to even the score. As the last seconds waned another basket was made by the Texarkanians and they earned their right to the semi-finals.

Results in the B class quarter-finals: Walkerville 31, Central 17. Lewisville 28, New Hope 22. Garland 30, Stamps 28. Walker's Creek 31, Spring Hill 22.

Semi-finals will be played beginning at 8 a. m. Saturday when Walkerville meets Lewisville, and Garland clashes with Walker's Creek.

Finals will be played at 8 p. m.

E. Stewart Operated on at Mayo Clinic
Edwin H. Stewart, Hope jeweler who underwent an operation at the Mayo Brothers Clinic at Rochester, Minn., early Friday morning, was reported by relatives here Saturday as "doing well."

Nine - County Agricultural Institute Held Here Feb. 24

Meeting Directed
By J. F. Rains and
Miss Ella Posey

An Institute of Public Affairs was held in Hempstead county under the direction of the Agricultural Extension Service for Hempstead county and adjoining counties — Columbia, Howard, Lafayette, Little River, Miller, Nevada, Ouachita, Sevier and Union on February 24. The institute was under the direction of Mr. J. F. Rains, District County Agent and Miss Ella Posey, District Home Demonstration Agent.

The discussion for the day was what should be the Government Policy in developing the policy of Agriculture. Dr. Paul Vogt, Bureau of Program and Vocational Planning, Washington D. C., gave the purpose of the program—that agricultural leaders county agents, home agents, vocational teachers, Soil Conservation Service, AAA and other agricultural directions would be responsible for informing rural people on how to hold discussion groups in their own community by community leaders and not to be led by vocational workers.

Dr. Arthur C. Buncie, Department of Agricultural Economics, Iowa State College, lectured on the economic basis for world peace. In his lecture he brought out the problems suggested solutions, failures of dreams, and the purpose of everyone being well informed and working for democracy.

Miss Jeanie Camp, Home Production Planning Specialist, of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, lectured on diets and rural welfare. Miss Camp stressed the idea that 45,000,000 people in the United States are below the safety line in foods and nutrition; that they are lacking in iron, calcium, and vitamins A, B, C, and E. She stated some very interesting facts about foods and nutrition in this state and other states. 123 days of work lost in 1938 and

The greatest area of quicksand in the world is said to be Diamond Shoals, off Cape Hatteras, N. C.

British Take 9,000 Prisoners

Italians in Somali-
land Captured
by Britishers

CAIRO — (AP)—British general headquarters announced Saturday that 9,000 prisoners had been taken in the British offensive in Italian Somaliland.

The daily communiqué also claimed British occupation of Bardera, an important road junction 120 miles north of Gelib and on the Juba river. As for Libya, Eritrea and Ethiopia, the communiqué said there was "nothing of importance to report."

Following the occupation of Bardera it said "our troops are now cleaning the surrounding country from which the enemy are rapidly withdrawing."

"Prisoners taken during our advance along the coast up to now and including the capture of Mogadiscio so far number over 9,000 with many more surrendering daily."

"In Mogadiscio itself quantities of additional war material have been found."

OSLO, Norway — (AP)—The oath of secrecy taken by priests, solicitors, doctors and civil officials has been cancelled "in the interests of state" by Jonas Lie, Norwegian minister of justice.

The seed of the jicote maranon, Guatemalan fruit, grows on the outside.

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**Preparing for
Home Defense**

The United States is pretty well
committed to the policy that the
stronger our defense the better our
chance of keeping out of war, and the
better the chance of winning it if
we should be dragged in.
Thus the various moves to strength-
en the home front, the plans for
defense of cities and industrial plants
are all an element of national strength.
Query: Would the British at-
titude at Munich have been any dif-
ferent if London had had at that
time adequate air-raid shelters, or
even really adequate plans for their
quick construction? It is possible.
It is certainly idle to make vast
military, naval, and air preparations,
and neglect home defense, which is
static and could by no possibility be
used offensively.
This end of the defense drive is
not being entirely neglected. Observe
these things:
The War Department has long been
studying the problem, and has created
the Psychological Civil Protection
Committee to create master plans on
which local communities can model
their defense measures and plans. Se-
veral engineering and scientific so-
cieties have joined in this and similar
work.
The Army has sent to London a
member of its Civil Defense Com-
mittee, and Surgeon-General Parran
has joined him, along with a whole
group of social and health experts, to
study these problems on the ground.
The National Academy of Sciences
has set up a committee to work to
the same end.
The U. S. Conference of Mayors
recently urged development of home
defense plans, and received reports
of Canadian measures.

Milo J. Warner, national commander
of the American Legion, and Frank
D'Olier, former commander, are both
in England studying problems in-
cident to home defense, especially
against air attack.
Boston is already training 1000
volunteer firemen, and many alert
fire departments are studying plans
for this and other measures for fight-
ing bomb-set fires in the London man-
ner.

Navy yards are installing "spider-
web" electric power systems which
cannot be put out of commission by
a single blow at any one point, either
by sabotage or bombing.
Builders in some New Jersey sub-
urbs are building bomb-proof sub-
cellars into new homes, and architec-
tural students at Pratt Institute are
designing concrete shelters.
Homer Saint-Caudens, artist and
World War veteran, is attacking cam-
ouflage problems incident to large in-
dustrial plants and coast defenses.
The Army has created a mobile
balloon barrage at Ft. Lewis, Wash-
ington, and large rubber companies
are planning mass production of such
barrage balloons.

All these and other activities sug-
gest that every urban community, and
especially those with important in-
dustrial plants, should begin study-
ing the problem. General master plans
will be available soon, and the lo-
cal community can adopt them to lo-
cal conditions.
At present, air attack on the Unit-

WE, THE WOMEN

**Wife Would Boon If Wife's Reading
of Trashy Stories Became
Grounds for Divorce**

By RUTH MILLETT
An Iowa husband filed suit for
divorce the other day charging that
his wife smoked continually and read
"sentimental and amorous literature"
while the housework waited to be
done.

The women of America had better
hope that the judge finds those two
"offenses" are not grounds for
divorce.

Because if they are, there are thou-
sands of wives in America whose
hubbies could divorce them tomor-
row.
Even if the men wouldn't take ad-
vantage of such wifely sins as smok-
ing and wasting time on trashy lit-
erature it wouldn't be so good to
have them know that courts con-
sider such tilting a serious offense
against a husband.
Because women have worked it so
that they have things pretty much
their own way today.
It is understood in most families
that just as soon as the budget per-
mits, the wife will have some help
with her housework, and unless the
budget is really skinny she has all
kinds of mechanical help from the
start—vacuum cleaner, electric ice
box, washing machine, toaster, and
all the rest.

Figures Her Time Is Her Own
She just naturally figures that her
days belong to her—and not to her
husband—and that if she wants to
read all morning with the dishes piled
up in the sink that is her busi-
ness.
And, of course, she counts on get-
ting every afternoon off for bridge
playing, or whatever the ladies of
the neighborhood are doing to amuse
themselves.
Why, running a house has become
such a cinch in the minds of wo-
men that a great many girls work-
ing at jobs they don't like any too
well get married just to put them-
selves in the bridge-playing instead
of the clock-punching class.
So we women had better hope that
the judge rules "no grounds for
divorce." If he doesn't, the men of
America might get out of hand.

BARBS

When a girl promises to be a sis-
ter to you, look out brother!
Hitler now wants Italy and Greece
to bury the hatchet. We're pulling
for Greece to swing first.
A Florida golfer walked 31 miles
in one day. We hope he found it.
Despite all you read, the cost of
living remains the same—all you make.
Statistics show the sale of hair
dye on the increase. The old gray
hair she ain't what she used to be.

Orish Spuds Green?

DENVER.—(P)—Officials have an-
nounced that potatoes western growers
sell the government for livestock
feed, to liquidate a farm surplus, will
be dyed. The dye fill prevent the po-
tatoes from falling into the hands of
persons who might resell them for
table use.

**Answer to
Cranium Cracker**

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 5. Po—(h) Adriatic Sea.
 6. Morne—(i) Seine River.
 7. Nile—(e) Mediterranean.
 8. Amazon—(a) Atlantic Ocean.
 9. Danube—(b) Black Sea.
 10. Euphrates—(j) Persian Gulf.

ed States proper seems far-fetched
and fantastic. So it seemed to Nor-
way.
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fense. Whatever happens, there is no
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By J. R. Williams



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Birds are able to change their

wing area in flight; man has been un-
able to do the same in an airplane.
Skunks have been found to be
inordinately fond of potato chips.

MIND YOUR MANNERS

T. M. REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.

Test your knowledge of cor-
rect social usage by answering the
following questions, then
checking against the authorita-
tive answers below:

1. If a woman is standing on a
street car holding a baby in her
arms and no man offers her a
seat, should another woman offer
her a seat?
2. If a man and woman standing
in a bus are both close to a seat
that becomes unoccupied, should
the man see that the woman gets
it?
3. When carrying on a conver-
sation that may possibly be over-
heard by strangers, as on a bus
or street car, should you avoid
mentioning full names?
4. What should a married wo-
man say when she telephones a
woman friend and a servant an-
swers?
5. Is it necessary for a man in
an office to rise when a woman
working in the same office comes
to his desk?

What would you do if—
You wish to apply for a job
and the employer specified "Ap-
ply by letter"—
(a) Write the best letter you
can, even if you have to ask some-
one with more experience to help
you. Listing your training, qualifi-
cations, and experience, and say-
ing that you would like a per-
sonal interview if possible?
(b) Go to the office in person,
and don't bother to write the let-
ter?

Answers
1. Yes.
2. Yes.
3. Yes.
4. "This is Mrs. Ralph Smith.
May I speak with Mrs. Jones,
please?"
5. No. If it were, men wouldn't
be able to get much work done.
Best "What Would You Do"
solution—(a).

Sign of the Times

FLORENCE, S. C. —(P)— Sign in a
shoe shine parlor here:
"Shine 'em up and get a gloss,
three cents for me and seven for the
boss."

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

WELL, UNCLE TOBE
THIS SEEMS LIKE
OLD TIMES, EH?

YESSOH! IT SHO
DO, MISTH
BILLY! IT SHO
DO!

OH! HELLO
THERE

HEY! SAY, UNCLE
TOBE "YOU'D
BETTER HUSTLE
HOME AND GET
SOME DRY
CLOTHES FOR
JUNIOR!"

Y' MEAN
YOU IS
DOUBTIN'
MISTH
JEFF AGIN?
HYEH
HYEH!

GOODBY, OLD
FRIEND, I GO TO
MY TOMB... GOOD-
BY FOREVER!

STRIPPED OF GLORY, OF HONOR,
OF FREEDOM, EGYPT GOES DOWN
TO DEATH—BUT EGYPT'S
TREASURE SHALL REMAIN
EGYPT'S... HIDDEN WITH THE
DUST OF CLEOPATRA FOR
ALL TIME!

GOODY, OLD
FRIEND, I GO TO
MY TOMB... GOOD-
BY FOREVER!

WASH TUBBS

IM DR. DOWNS, A PROFOUND ADMIRER OF
YOURS, DR. BASSILA, FOLLOWED YOUR
RESEARCH WORK IN THE MEDICAL
JOURNALS FOR YEARS.
SPLENDID WORK!
SPLENDID!

OH, WELL, WE DON'T HAVE TO GO TO
THE DANCE... WE CAN GET A
HAMBURGER SOMEWHERE
AND JUST TALK!

I HAVE A
CONFESSION TO
MAKE, MISS
GLAMOUR!

MY GIRL WENT
TO THAT
DANCE WITH
ANOTHER
FELLOW, AND
I WANTED TO
BOWL THEM
BOTH OVER
BY TAKING
YOU!

I'M
FLATTERED
FELICIOUS!
IN THAT
CASE, WE'LL
GO IN MY
CAR!

YOU CAN'T
LEAVE THIS
NIGHT! BETTER
PUT IT TOGETHER
AND GET IT
OUTTA HERE!

BUT
HAVE A
DATE WITH
GLORIA
GLAMOUR!

"DEAR DIARY: I HAD A NASTY OLD COP
GLUMMED UP TH' TUBBS, AND HE WASN'T
FOOLING!"

RED RYDER
STOP SHOVELLIN'
UP GRAVE!

WHY?

SHEP DOG TRY
TO DIG-UM UNDER
RANCH HOUSE
CELLAR!

THEN THAT'S
WHERE WE'LL
FIND TH' DUGGERS
DEAD OR ALIVE!
LET'S GO!

THANKS, LITTLE BEAVER

RECKON RED
WENT AN' HILL!
EY, LITTLE BEAVER?

YOU
BETCHUM!

I'LL STALL OFF TH'
SHERIFF AN' WATCH
ANGUS TILL YUH GIT
BACK?

YOU
BETCHUM!

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**Balloon Men
on the Sun?**

By HOWARD W. BLAKESLEE
Associated Press Science Editor
CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — A man on
the sun, although feeling as if he
weighed a ton, might leap a mile off
the ground and float gently back to
the surface—gently that is, for the
sun.

He would do this if he behaved
like the peculiar clouds astronomers
have been observing with new instru-
ments recently.
These clouds are masses of incandes-
cent gas. Some weigh millions of
tons. They may float for days, 50,000
to 100,000 miles above the sun's sur-
face.

The mystery is the reason they don't
fall with a crash, for astronomers say
that the sun, unlike the earth, has
no atmosphere able to hold up clouds
and keep them floating above the
surface. More often than not the blaz-
ing cloud stuff of the sun moves up
or down over a rainbow-shaped arch
between it and the sun's surface al-
though occasionally there is no arch
or other support.

The nature of the force pushing up
the clouds or holding them up is not
known. Astronomers have suggested
it may be the pressure of radiation.
Probably there are magnetic forces
also at work.
Whatever the forces, if a man

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

HM! LET ME SEE—35 CENTS WOULD
BE A FAIR PRICE FOR THE PRODUCT!
100,000 TIMES 35 CENTS EQUALS
\$35,000—SUBTRACT OUR COST OF
10 CENTS EACH—HAR-RUMPH!
A TOY SUM!—8 OUNCES INTO A TON
GOES 4,000 TIMES!—AND 25 TONS
EQUALS 100,000 UNITS—JOVE!
THIS IS STAGGERING!

SOUNDS LIKE
THE OLD BOY
WAS FLYING
BLIND IN A
FOG AND
GOT OFF
THE BEAM!

TOMORROW HE'LL
BE TELLING US
HE COULD HAVE
WON THE NOD AT
WATERLOO, BUT
THAT WAS A SUNDAY
AND HE OVERSLEPT!

A WAY
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BUCKS—AND
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Good Pasture Food, Income Has Value Besides That of Checking Soil Erosion

An improved pasture used wisely not only is a source of food and income for the farm family but also is often the only sure way to control erosion and insure the continuous use of a part of the land on the farm, according to Riley Lewallen, chairman of the board of supervisors of Terre Rouge-Bodeaw Soil Conservation District.

"Most farms have some land which is not suitable for cultivation," he explained. "On the other hand, most of this land, when erosion is controlled, makes excellent pasture for work stock or milk cows. There is much land which, because of erosion, of soil type, will produce more in pasture in connection with a livestock program than it will produce in cultivation. In addition, a good cover of pasture plants will control soil erosion.

"Other lands are suited for neither cultivation or pasture," he continued, "but are suited for woodland or wildlife plantings."

Sodding with Bermuda grass, overseeding with Hop clover, White Dutch clover and Lespedeza, contour ridging or contour furrowing to hold more of the rain on the land, controlled grazing and protection from burning are among pasture improvement practices being used by cooperating farmers in the Terre Rouge-Bodeaw district, according to Buford Poe, technician assigned to the district by the Soil Conservation Service. Gullies are controlled by plowing them in and establishing vegetation in these areas. The diversion of water from large gullies is another step in their control.

In obtaining the greatest possible use of pasture, it is necessary to have an adequate supply of good water, Mr. Poe continued. The development of springs and wells and the construction of stock ponds consequently have become a part of pasture improvement on many farms.

He pointed out that many farmers are cross-fencing their pastures in order to regulate grazing.

"Regulated grazing is necessary if a farmer wishes to keep his pastures in good condition," the district technician said. "The desirable pasture plants must have an opportunity to reseed and sod grasses lose their vigor if overgrazed. By cross-fencing pastures and rotating the grazing, each pasture area will have an opportunity to produce seeds and the sod grasses will maintain full vigor. Many farmers also are planting temporary pastures which they can use when they wish to give permanent pastures a rest."

The supervisors listed the following accomplishments in connection with pasture development and improvement:

Planting new pasture—1614 acres.
Planting old pasture—2991 acres.
Contour Furrows and Ridges—434 acres.
Gullies treated—107.
Ponds built—7.
Storage of ponds—27.6 acre-feet.
Fencing—32361 rods.

It was pointed out that some of the gullies controlled were in woodlands, in cultivated fields, or in areas which were being developed as meadows. Likewise, some fences have been built to protect woodlands from grazing or enclose meadows.

The 964 farmers who have co-operative agreements with the Terre Rouge-Bodeaw district have the following work planned in connection with the practices discussed earlier:

Planting new pastures, 12624 acres; planting old pastures, 15255 acres; contour furrows and ridges, 5949 acres; number of gullies to be treated, 1615; number of ponds, 11; storage of planned ponds, 41.5 acre-feet; and fencing, 169790 rods.

Why Girls Leave Home Nowadays: Defense Boom



At Post Office in Quincy, Ill., Florence Paul sees announcement in newspaper. With defense boom, rooms are scarce and "you almost have to be a cousin of the landlady" to get one.



Looking for a place to live is first task of new arrivals in Washington. Here Miss Paul sits in Union Station, checking room ads in newspaper. With defense boom, rooms are scarce and "you almost have to be a cousin of the landlady" to get one.



Her fingerprints are taken for FBI civilian identification files. This is precaution against sabotage and espionage.



Having been sworn in, Miss Paul goes to work—finds there's plenty of it, and that she's green as grass about all the government forms and regulations. She gets acquainted with her fellow workers.



Washington is a government worker's town by day and a night school student's town after dark. Like other federal workers, she studies for a better job, taking CSC classes in advanced secretarial training and public speaking.

By GERRY DICK
NEA Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON — There's an up-to-the-minute reason why girls leave home these days. It's wartime Washington—instead of Broadway or Hollywood that draws them.

The defense program has enlisted more than 25,000, most of them women, in the past year, piling them in on top of the 130,000 already on the job. And they are coming in at the rate of 100 a day.

Most of the women who have joined this civilian army are between 25 and 30, and come from small towns in the midwest and southern states.

They are typists, clerks and stenographers. They earn from \$1200 to \$1400 a year, and spend less of it on foolishness than you might think.

Their working hours are from 9 to 4:30 with Saturday afternoons off, and 26 days annual leave. Washington is itself an overgrown small town, and young people who come here find the night life isn't much more exciting than it was back home.

In their spare time they swim, bowl, and ice skate. On Sundays they visit nearby Mount Vernon, look at the city from the top of the Washington monument, go down the Potomac on excursion steamers.

You almost have to be a cousin of the landlady to get a room in downtown Washington rooming houses these days. With 2 meals a day, a room, if you can get one, costs about \$40 a month. You share a bath with from six to ten other roomers. Sometimes three young men or young women club together and take a two-room flat with kitchenette, which rents for about \$50 a month.

Night schools do a booming business. Many young men who have government jobs study law at night. That makes it tough on the girls. It's bad enough anyway, with the proportion of women to men about ten to one.

Once a year they spruce up and step out to their State Society dance. When the home folks come to town there's more sightseeing with the government boys and girls proudly showing off the nation's capital.

Typical of thousands of young women arriving every day to take government jobs, Florence Paul came from Quincy, Ill. A photographer met her at the train and kept her in focus during her first week as a federal Civil Service worker.

Your Radio Dial Will Be Given a New Twist March 29

By NEA Service

Fifty million radio push-buttons are going to be wrong.

At 3 a. m. on March 29, 795 of the 833 standard broadcast radio stations in the U. S. will shift their frequencies to the new wassingtons recently allocated to them by the Federal Communications Commission.

To millions of radio owners who find their favorite stations by twisting a knob, the change will in most cases mean merely twisting to a slightly higher point on the dial. To some 10,000,000 other radio set owners, whose tuning in the past has consisted simply of pushing a button, the change will mean as a screw driver, a mechanical mind, and the ability to follow fairly easy directions; or b: a visit from the radio repair man.

Here's How They Shift

The accompanying dial shows in general how the shift will be accomplished:

All stations now operating on channels from 550 to 720 kilocycles retain their present channels.

The stations now operating between 720 and 740 kc move up 10 kc. For example, WJZ, on 760 now, moves to 770 on March 29.

Stations between 790 and 870 kc move up 20 kc.

The stations between 880 and 1450 kc move up 50 kc.

Clear channel stations between 1460 and 1490 kc shift to 1500-1530 kc.

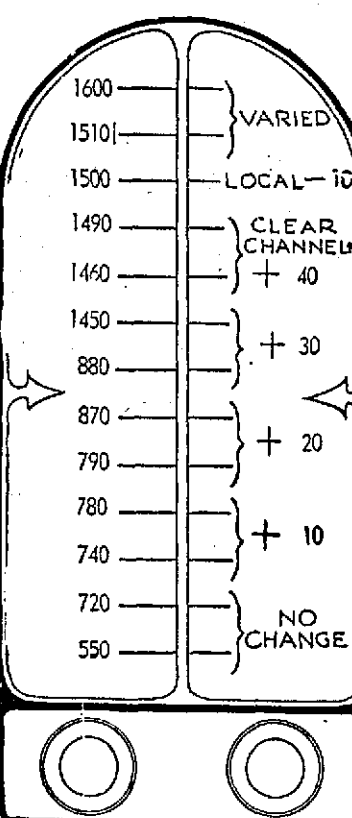
Local stations now using 1500 kc move down to 1490 kc.

Some 28 other stations, including those now using frequencies above 1500 kc, make varied, irregular shifts.

Reducing Interference

The changes are being made in conformity with Mexico's ratification last year of the North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement, reached at Havana in December 1937. The agreement, signed by Canada, Cuba, Mexico and the U. S., was designed to permit the 1300 North American stations "to operate simultaneously with a minimum of interference."

Because Mexico's high-powered stations may be used under the agreement only to serve "Mexican nationals," certain objectionable broadcasters, many of whom went to Mexico after being barred from the American air for undesirable programs, will have their power materially cut down, if they not completely put out of business.



Radio dial above indicates where you'll find your local radio station after March 29. If it is now at 760 kilocycles, a glance at the chart shows that it will be "plus" 10 kc—or 10 kc farther up the dial—at 770 kc. All stations will go up the dial except those at 1500, which are "minus" 10 kc—dropping to 1490.

Censor Unkorks a New One

WINCHESTER, Va. — (AP) — The steamer Birmingham City was headed westward in mid-Atlantic on Aug. 29, 1939, when Claude M. Henkel, Jr., penned a note to Miss Virginia C. Russell of Winchester, sealed it in a bottle and tossed it over the rail.

The letter was delivered on St. Valentine's Day, 1941, marked "opened by censor." It washed ashore at Lerwick, Shetland Islands, January 4.

Mannerheim's Diet Watched By Finns

COPENHAGEN — (AP) — The Finnish Field Marshal Mannerheim will get his special porridge, made of cracked buckwheat, after all.

It was recommended as part of his diet by physicians but the war halted importation from England and America. Finns living in Denmark heard about the difficulty bought up the small quantities available here, and sent it to him.

The ice cream industry has an annual value of \$125,000,000 in England.

SERIAL STORY DRAFTED FOR LOVE

BY RUTH AYERS

YESTERDAY: Hal proposed, but April puts off a final decision. She is still in love with Kent. Come word at last that Kent's eyes are all right. Ann is making preparations for a wedding. But the day Kent arrives, April refuses to see him.

APRIL PLANS ESCAPE

CHAPTER XVIII

BUT you couldn't keep yourself barricaded in a room forever. April knew she would have to face Kent some day. In the first few days of his return, her absence wasn't noted, apparently.

"Kent and Ann are like two children," Mother told April on one of her flying visits. "So sweet together."

"And Kent's eyes?" April asked from a dry throat.

Mother said, "Well, at first glance you'd never know anything had been wrong. The operation was a marvelous success. But sometimes—looking at him—" Her voice trailed off.

April jogged her. "Yes, sometimes what?"

Mrs. Burnett sighed. "He's changed, of course," she began uncertainly. "Anyone would who went through such an experience. And now and then it seems as if I catch a strange, questioning look in his eyes—as if he wasn't quite sure himself it was true."

"Oh, I think I know what you mean."

Mother brightened at once. "He asked for you last night, April."

"Yes? What did he say?"

"Well, he wanted to know if you'd gone away. After all, dear, you're the gay one in this family, always going places. Why don't you come down tonight?"

"I'll see how I feel."

KENT had wanted to know if she had gone away. Perhaps he hoped she had. Perhaps he wanted her away. The phrase began to hammer in her brain.

Meanwhile, downstairs, Ann sang all day. But when she came into April's room, she'd lower her voice as if April were really an invalid and the room a sickroom. If she'd been blooming when Kent's letters were coming, she was radiant now in Kent's return. Faint color had crept into her white skin, her eyes shone.

"There's one thing I want to thank you for, April," she said. "Thank me?"

"Yes, you didn't tell Kent about my audition with Vivano, did you?"

"No, you asked me not to."

"We'll keep that to ourselves," Ann said.

"Sure, right in the bosom of the family."

Ann changed the subject quickly. "Think you'll be up to being a bridesmaid, sister? Kent and I are going to set a day soon."

So it had come. A wedding. Ann's wedding to Kent!

Every time Kent drove over from the Carter house on the hill, April found another excuse so she might stay in her room.

But a plan was forming in her mind. Kent Carter had asked if she had gone away. "I've not been to lose both my girls," she said.

She would go away!

THE idea took shape, grew. There was a place where she could go, quietly and without fuss. If she confided in Mother and Dad beforehand, they'd make a fuss. But if she could slip away without their knowing and then send a letter telling where she had gone, they wouldn't be alarmed.

So on a Monday in mid-January, her plans completed, she packed her bag with the few things she needed. "I feel better already," she told Nip as he nosed into the suitcase. "I've moped about Kent Carter long enough."

She knew she couldn't carry out her plans alone. There would be no way of driving the roadster, no means of getting to the train by herself.

Waiting until the house had quieted that afternoon, she took her suitcase downstairs and hid it in a clump of shrubbery by the front porch. Yes, the brown bushes were perfect camouflage for the brown bag.

Then she came into the hallway and telephoned to Hal Parks. "How about picking me up at 8 o'clock tonight?" she asked.

Hal said he would be there, on the nose, with bells on. Nothing, he added, could have suited him better.

Now that she had started, fate

New State FSA Director

A. D. Stewart Succeeds T. Roy Reid of Little Rock

A. D. Stewart of Jackson, Miss., state director of the Farm Security Administration, has been appointed acting regional director, in charge of the organization's activities in the states of Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi.

He succeeds T. Roy Reid, of Little Rock, Ark., who has been appointed assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture. Mr. Reid has held the post of regional director since its creation under the old Resettlement Administration in 1935. He is regarded by FSA officials as one of the ablest administrators in the organization.

He succeeded T. Roy Reid, of Little Rock, Ark., who has been appointed assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture. Mr. Reid has held the post of regional director since its creation under the old Resettlement Administration in 1935. He is regarded by FSA officials as one of the ablest administrators in the organization.



Mr. Reid's successor is well known, not only in his native state of Mississippi, but throughout the entire South because of his work in agricultural organizations. He was born on a farm near Goshen Springs, Miss., in Rankin County, and was educated at the schools there and at Mississippi State college. After completing his education, Mr. Stewart taught in county agricultural schools for four years, and then became county agent in Simpson County.

He held that post for six years, during which time under his direction, the farmers of the county increased their activities and income, and organized several cooperatives. He was then drafted by the newly formed State Agricultural Service Department to act as organization director.

After one year with that agency, he was appointed organization director of the Mississippi Cooperative Cotton Association. He was promoted rapidly, and in 1933 he was elected general manager, a post he held until January 1, 1940, when he resigned to

The Boys Can Sparkle Too

More Than Ever Men Are Taking Clothes Seriously

By AMY PORTER
AP Fashion Writer

Let's talk about men's clothes—seriously.

Most comments on the recent tailors' show in New York and the larger one in St. Louis have been anything but serious. Writers and radio commentators have had a great time kidding.

"One of the prettiest little numbers in the show, boys—a sapphire blue velvet evening tail coat with a long tapering skirt and twilight blue dress trousers. And how do you like this, boys—a royal blue evening cape, lined with ten yards of brilliant red satin."

If the "boys" would stop snapping their suspenders long enough to listen to the tailors, they would be a handsome lot. And don't let them try to tell you they don't care how they look. Most of them do.

Brighter Colors

This year, as usual, the tailors sponsor brighter colors for men. And men, much as they may laugh at a "honey yellow rayon sleeved sports jacket with terra cotta slacks," should be thankful.

How about that loud plaid sports jacket Mr. X bought last fall? Would he have bought it five years ago? Would he have dared to wear it if the tailors hadn't been plugging plaid for years?

Let him listen respectfully then to the style forecast for spring, as compiled by the Merchant Tailors and Designers Association of America.

"For spring," say the tailors, "there should be the rejuvenating influence of color to contrast with darker winter shades."

For "informal day wear," which is what most men are looking for, they urge brighter woolsens. Not wild, but quite reasonable looking are the new Algerian stripes in blues, greens, grays, tans, browns. More on the glidy side are "multiple polychromatic stripes."

The new Glen Urquhart and Gretan key patterned worsteds are toned down sufficiently for the most milk-toasty soul.

In cut, the tailors emphasize straighter lines, possibly to agree with the slenderer feminine silhouette. New business suits have slightly longer coats, with vests cut slightly higher. Trousers are somewhat tighter than those of last fall.

Day-in day-out hats include snap brims and off-the-facers (a man can be just as "pure-browed" as his wife, can't he?)

Comfort For Summer

The summer forecast should be a comfort. It appears ventilated fabrics. "Forests" in loosely woven straw hats, belts, braces, ties, shoes, shirts and suits.

The "average man" is encouraged to let himself go on sports clothes. Tony Williams, a leading tailor, says: "Sports clothes should provide relaxation from sober business dress. A man needn't feel that bright colors are sissy. Some of our hardest men are the most colorful—our cowboys, our lumberjacks."

Suggested sports outfits are white coats with Capri blue or terra cotta slacks; knee-length shorts; felt sports hats in two tones of the new diamond brown; straw hats with bright-striped bands.

The tailors sponsor jeweled accessories for well-dressed men: a modern ring with square-cut deep brown diamond, set in gold, wagon wheel cuff links in yellow gold with champagne diamond hubs.

Church News

FIRST CHRISTIAN

North Main and West Ave. B
John Keith Gregory, Minister

Bible school 9:45.
Morning worship and communion service 10:50 o'clock. "Great Christian Convictions No. 1." "The Reality of Divine Revelation."

Christian Endeavor Society 6:45 p. m. Evening worship service 7:30 o'clock. Evening worship service 7:30 o'clock. "Heavenly Places."

'Quotes' Bible to a Wildcat

LOGAN, W. Va. — (AP) — Logan's wildcat days have returned. John Chiffin ran over one of the animals with his automobile and Tom Whited broke up a tooth-and-nail fight between a dog and one of the critters.

Then Lonnie Nelson polished off both stories. Confronted by a wildcat, he picked up a nice round stone, wound up just like little David, and killed it with a neat blow between the eyes.

The Dominion of Canada produced 120,976,000 pounds of factory cheese during 1939.

become state director for the FSA.

Even before becoming an official of the FSA, Mr. Stewart had been thoroughly acquainted with the work and policies of the agency. Since 1933 he had been chairman of the FSA's State Farm Debt Adjustment Committee, and had served on the State Advisory Committee since its formation in 1937.

As Acting Regional Director of the Farm Security Administration, Mr. Stewart will head an organization which is conducting a widespread program of assistance to low-income farmers in the three states which comprise the region. In addition to directing the Rural Rehabilitation program, under which approximately 60,000 farmers are receiving loans and technical guidance, he will have charge of the Mississippi Cooperative Cotton Association. He was promoted rapidly, and in 1933 he was elected general manager, a post he held until January 1, 1940, when he resigned to